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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed February 24, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

Amendment to the Title is on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

AMENDMENT TO TITLE OF THE INVENTION

1. Applicants respectfully request the title of the invention be amended as follows:

SEMICONDUCTOR STRUCTURE INCLUDING VIAS